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## **Region VIII FYSA – ND – Industrial Fire, Williston ND**

A massive fire at an oil company warehouse has shut down Highway 1804 in Williston early Tuesday morning. Due to the intense flames, personnel are allowing the blaze to burn while making sure it does not spread. Williston officials are allowing the fire to burn because fighting it with water could cause runoff into spill canals that flow into the Little Muddy River.

A regional hazardous response team and North Dakota National Guard officials are monitoring air quality around the site of a massive fire still burning at an industrial area in Williston.

A Williams County Emergency Management official said the fire at Red River Supply broke out about midnight local time. Explosions could be seen and heard at the scene. Police attributed them to barrels but didn't immediately say what was in them. Red River Supply serves as a loading facility for BNSF, and handles dry goods, crude oil and dry pipe and casing.

The site is just east of Williston's downtown. No one is being allowed within a half-mile of the site. Businesses within that zone are closed until further notice. State Highway 1804 in the area remains closed and traffic is being rerouted to highways 2 and 85.

Crews are still trying to determine the cause of the blaze. There are no reports of injuries.



**Source of Information:**

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